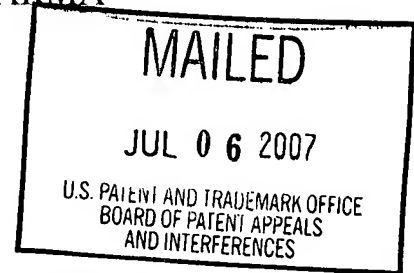


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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte DEBENDRA DAS SHARMA

Application 10/011,857
Appeal No. 2007-1805



ORDER REMANDING APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on January 17, 2007. A docketing notice was mailed and Appeal No. 2007-11805 was assigned on April 2, 2007. A review of the application has revealed that the application was not ready for an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being remanded to the Examiner. The matter requiring attention is identified below.


The statement of the grounds of rejection in the Examiner's Answer mailed March 24, 2006 is improper. In accordance with the Manual of Patent Examining Procedures (MPEP) § 1207.02 "[f]or each ground of rejection maintained by the examiner and each new ground of rejection (if any), an explanation of the ground of rejection." An explanation of the ground of rejection has not been set forth in the Examiner's Answer mailed April 24, 2007. Appropriate correction is necessary.

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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is remanded to the examiner to give a proper explanation of the ground of rejection and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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